

FIRST PRES
COLORADO SPRINGS

SANCTUARY

TODAY'S SERMON

LOVING AND WISE

In the Company of Friends

NOVEMBER 15, 2026 ▪ ROMANS 16:17-23 ▪ LIGHT + LIFE *for* THE CITY

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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PRELUDE
Softly and Tenderly
Composer: Will L. Thompson
Arranger: Bob McNalley, Jr.
First Pres Brass Ensemble
Stephen Hock, Director

INTROIT
I Will Praise You, O Lord!
Composer: David T. Clydesdale
Chris Owenby, Director

CALL TO WORSHIP
Rev. Dr. Eunice McGarrahan (8:30)
Rev. Greg Hartnett (10:15)

HYMN OF PRAISE
O God Beyond All Praising · **No. 64**

DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS + PRAYER OF ADORATION
Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell (8:30)

SONG OF ADORATION
Agnus Dei
Jason Crowe, bass; Scott Barbier, percussion; Wayne Wilkinson, guitar

CALL TO CONFESSION
Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in Your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

RESPONSE
Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken
No. 598

APOSTLES' CREED

OFFERING OUR GIFTS
Rev. Matt Holtzman (8:30)
Rev. Dr. Pat Hartsock (10:15)

Be Still My Soul
Arranger: Dan Bird
Monica Ding, oboe

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE + THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OF PREPARATION
How Firm a Foundation · **No. 411**

SERMON
LOVING AND WISE
Romans 16:17-23 (pg. 1730)
Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell

MINISTRY OF MUSIC + CLOSING HYMN
Holy Is He (Holy, Holy, Holy)
Arranger: David T. Clydesdale

CHARGE + BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
Jubilation
Composer: Sy Brandon
First Pres Brass Ensemble

Belong
AT FIRST PRES

We would love to meet you. Whether you are looking for community, a place to serve, or answers to questions about faith, someone is waiting to walk with you. Stop by the BELONG HUB in the Plaza after the service.

THE WORD FOR TODAY

"Everyone has heard about your obedience, so I rejoice because of you; but I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil."

ROMANS 16:19

TODAY: VETERANS RECOGNITION

Today, we pause to honor and give thanks for those who have served in our nation's armed forces. We are grateful for your service, sacrifice, and dedication. Thank you, veterans, for all you have given!

NEXT WEEK:

After a year-long journey through Romans, join Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell for *To God Be the Glory*, as we reach Paul's closing words and give glory to the God who has been faithful throughout. Read Romans 16:24–27 ahead of Sunday!

CARE

NO ONE HURTS ALONE

FLOWER FUND, IN MEMORY OF:

Marian and LeRoy Simpson
By Jeff Simpson

Lois Keller
By Gubser, Keller, Worth, and Swift families

Meredith Moreland Dawes
By Otis & Anne Moreland

Bruce Kopper
By Carolyn, Cathy, Betsy, Nancy & Susie & families

Marian Simpson
By Vickie Sherwood

Flowers by: He Loves Me Flowers

IN MEMORIAM:

Ruth Larson
October 30, 2026

MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:

Bob Wheeler
Thursday, November 19 at 2 p.m.

STEPHEN MINISTERS

If you're experiencing a challenging season of life and would like someone to talk to, our Stephen Ministers are here for you. This opportunity for weekly one-on-one listening and encouragement is available by contacting the Caring Ministry office at 719-884-6145.

NEED PRAYER?

Find a Prayer Team member wearing a red lanyard, Or email your request to prayer@firstprescos.org

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COMING UP AT FIRST PRES

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ONGOING

Something Significant

Give a gift that makes a difference! Something Significant offers meaningful ways to support our local and global Mission Engagement partners while sharing the hope of Christ this Christmas. Booklets will be available at the end of the month, but you can get a head start by exploring the catalog online.

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NOV 23 | 6 PM

Holiday Blues Workshop

The holidays can bring joy, but grief, loss, and life's challenges can make this season difficult. Join us for the Help for the Holiday Blues Workshop to discover practical ways to cope and find joy again.

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DEC 4 + 5 | 9:30 AM

Women's Christmas Celebration

Women, start off your holiday season with this year's delightful Christmas Celebration, "Coming Home To Christmas!" Enjoy brunch, entertainment, cordial conversation and this year's speaker, Abigail McConnell. Tickets available in the Plaza.

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DEC 12 | 9:30 AM

Men's Christmas Brunch

Join us for our annual Men's Christmas Brunch! Enjoy great food, Christmas carols featuring our Brass Ensemble, and an inspiring message from guest speaker Dave Swingley. A wonderful morning of fellowship and Christmas cheer! Tickets available in the Plaza.

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 2026

Budgeted Contribution Income through October | **$6,503,000**
Actual Contribution Income through October | **$6,333,865**
Below Budget through October |**-$169,135**